

MONTHLY MEETING
February 2, 2012

Meeting: called to order by Bill Robinson at 7:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll Call: Jim Webber, Mary Pitcher, Pam Radabaugh, Bill Robinson, Anna Grobe.

Minutes: of 12/1/2011. Approved.

Treasurer's Reports: General Fund, Fire Fund and Park Fund were presented by Pam Radabaugh. Motion by Jim Webber with a second by Mary Pitcher to accept the reports. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Anna Grobe, Bill Robinson, Pam Radabaugh and Mary Pitcher & Jim Webber. Nays; none.**

Payment of Township Accounts: Motion to approve Checks #4951 thru #4976, for the purpose of paying Township accounts in the amount of \$11,057.59. Checks # 4960, 4961, 4969 and 4977 are void due to printing errors, made by Pam Radabaugh with a second by Pam Radabaugh. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Mary Pitcher, Pam Radabaugh, Bill Robinson and Jim Webber. Nays; none.**

Additional Agenda items:

Ted Schendel introduced himself. He will declare his intent to run Sheriff next month.

Guests: Chris Olson, Benzie County Administrator-gave an update on the County and asked if there are any questions.

Public Comment: Bill Robinson discussed a Fire Board meeting that he attended. There is a preliminary amount for the new contract but figures are still needed. The Frankfort Department has mentioned that a new brush truck is needed. The new Fire Chief is Charlie Thompson.

Correspondence:

- INCOMING:**
1. Newsletter from the Benzie Shores District Library.
 2. Email from Roland Halliday regarding statements made at the January meeting.
 3. Letter from the NW MI Council of Governments about a regional transportation planning meeting to be held on Tuesday February 7, at 2:00 pm at the Kaliseum in Kalaska.

4. Email from Roland Halliday informing us that Duke Energy is giving up on its Gailwind Project in Benzie County.
5. Newsletter from the Benzie Historical Society.
6. Newsletter from the League of Women Voters.
7. Email from Roland Halliday and a press release regarding the Duke Energy Gailwind power project.
8. Letter from Michigan State Extension with information on an upcoming Planning Workshop.
9. Contract from the Sheriff's Office for the 2012 Snowmobile Patrols.

OUTGOING:

1. Letter sent to Sheriff Rory Heckman informing him of the Board decision to support the County Snowmobile Safety Program.
2. Letters sent to all current and possible new Election Inspectors with an application. Per the State Election Bureau, new application should be on file every 2 years.
3. Letter sent to Dawn Olney showing the appointment and schedule of Election Inspectors for the February 28, 2012 Presidential Primary.

New Business:

1. Minutes of the Election Commission Meeting.
2. Approval for a transfer of Liquor License. **Motion by Bill Robinson with a second by Anna Grobe to approve the Resolution to transfer ownership of an escrowed 2011 Class C license from a business in Almira Township to Rogers Isle Inc. Roll call vote: Ayes; Anna Grobe, Bill Robinson, Mary Pitcher, Pam Radabaugh and Jim Webber. Nays; none.**

Old Business:

1. Minutes of a Special meeting to discuss the Library Resolution and the application for a transfer of a liquor license. Motion by Bill Robinson with a second by Pam Radabaugh to approve the minutes as read. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Pam Radabaugh, Jim Webber, Mary Pitcher, Bill Robinson and Anna Grobe. Nays; none.**

Public Comment:

County updates: Roland Halliday, County Commissioner-Update on County Issues. There was a discussion on the Maples and the 911 service and the Sheriff's Department.

Township Depts.: Planning Commission will be meeting on Thursday March 8, 2012 at 6:30. Zoning Administrator- There will be a ZBA hearing in April related to the Boathouse issue. In question; the landscaping and the removal of an interior wall. There are still

questions coming in about accessory use structures with living quarters. A letter was sent about an issue regarding a dock at a road end.

Assessor: Figures for 2012 are about the same as last year for the Township. Tribunals are scheduled for February 9. An attorney who had filed several tribunal requests has withdrawn those. Board of Review dates and times have been scheduled and will be:

Organizational meeting March 6, 9-noon and 1-4

Appeals process March 12, 9-noon and 1-4

Appeals process March 13, 2-5 and 6-9

Public input and general discussion:

Meeting adjourned: 7:51pm

In Attendance: 8

Respectfully submitted,
Anna Grobe, Clerk